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SUBJECT: ILO - 63RD CONFERENCE - ARTICLE 17 AND STRUCTURE

1. INFORMAL MEETINGS CALLED BY ILC PRESIDENT AMEDUME  
TOOK PLACE ALL DAY JUNE 21, TRYING TO REACH AGREEMENT  
ON STATEMENT DRAFTED BY AMEDUME AND DESIGNED TO BREAK  
IMPASSE IN COMMITTEE ON STRUCTURE (SC). BRITISH,  
FRENCH AND BELGIAN GOVT REPS AS INDIVIDUALS (RATHER  
THAN AS REPS OF IMEC GROUP) MADE EFFORT TO HAVE  
AMEDUME'S DRAFT INCLUDE SEVERAL POINTS OF COMMON AGREE-  
MENT (SENTENCE SAYING DIRECTOR GENERAL SHOULD USE  
POWERS HE ALREADY HAS UNDER ARTICLE 17 TO REJECT  
AMENDMENTS, USING PRINCIPLES DISCUSSED IN COMMITTEE;  
DELETE ANY REFERENCE TO CONSTITUTIONAL CONFERENCE IN  
1979; AVOID SAYING ARTICLE 17 CAN ONLY BE DEALT WITH  
AS PART OF STRUCTURE "PACKAGE"). G-77 REPS REFUSED  
TO ACCEPT ANY CHANGES.

2. AT LONG IMEC MEETING LATE IN DAY PARTICIPANTS IN  
INFORMAL MEETINGS REPORTED THEY HAD DONE THEIR BEST  
BUT FAILED. FEW IMEC REPS EXPRESSED HOPE U.S. WOULD  
ACCEPT REPORT AS IT STOOD BECAUSE IF U.S. INSISTED ON  
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CHANGE, NO AGREEMENT WOULD BE REACHED. USREP WHO HAD  
DELIBERATELY NOT PARTICIPATED IN INFORMAL MEETINGS  
THEN TOOK LEAD IN DISCUSSION (AFTER CONSULTING WITH  
U.S. WORKER AND EMPLOYER REPS) BY STATING THAT U.S.  
COULD NOT ACCEPT AMEDUME DRAFT REPORT, AND BY INSIST-  
ING THAT CHANGES BE MADE IN LANGUAGE ON KEY POINTS;  
USREP SUGGESTED SUBSTITUTE LANGUAGE, WHICH WAS ENDORSED

BY IMEC.

3. AMEDUME REACTION TO IMEC DRAFT WAS THAT NO AGREE-  
MENT WAS POSSIBLE. G-77 WAS REPORTEDLY STILL CONSIDER-  
ING AMEDUME DRAFT WHEN INFORMED OF IMEC REACTION; G-77  
THEN ADJOURNED TO ATTEND EVENING SESSION OF STRUCTURE  
COMMITTEE (SC).

4. AT SC SESSION, CHAIRMAN AZIMI PROPOSED AND MEMBERS  
AGREED, THAT SC OFFICERS WOULD DRAFT "FACTUAL" REPORT WHICH  
WOULD REFLECT LACK OF ACTION AND CONSENSUS ON SC  
AGENDA, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF AGREEMENT TO RECONVENE  
WORKING PARTY ON STRUCTURE (WPS). USREP ASKED HOW  
ARTICLE 17 WOULD BE HANDLED, BUT CHAIRMAN'S ANSWER WAS  
VAGUE. WORKER AND EMPLOYER REPS INDICATED OUTCOME  
OF CS WORK UNFORTUNATE BUT THEY COULD ACCEPT THIS  
ARRANGEMENT TO WRITE SC REPORT. G-77 INDICATED EVEN LESS  
COMMITMENT BUT ALSO ACCEPTED OUTCOME.

5. COS DRAFT REPORT TO BE AVAILABLE JUNE 22 MORNING  
FOR CONSIDERATION BY SEPARATE MEETINGS OF EMPLOYERS,  
G-77 AND IMEC. COS TO MEET LATER IN MORNING. PLENARY  
WILL CONSIDER REPORT IN AFTERNOON. USREP PLANS  
MAKE STATEMENT EXPLAINING OUR DISAPPOINTMENT IN RESULTS,  
BUT WILL NOT SEEK VOTE ON ARTICLE 17 SINCE THIS  
WOULD OVERTHROW CHAIRMAN'S SCENERIO AGREED TO BY  
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WORKER AND EMPLOYER GROUPS, AND PROBABLY LEAD TO  
CLEARCUT DEFEAT ON ARTICLE 17 (WHICH SOME IMEC REPS  
FEEL WOULD MAKE ACTION ON THIS ISSUE MORE DIFFICULT  
IN 1978, ALTHOUGH THEY WILL SUPPORT US IF WE SEEK  
VOTE) AND LEAD TO FAVORABLE VOTE ON G-77 RESOLUTION  
ON STRUCTURE.SORENSEN

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